# Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

## Supervisor's Report on Use of Force



**Incident Information**

URN: 406 - 04315 - 0980 - 145 | Date: 6/29/06 | Time: 2200 Hrs

Location: 1000 Universal Studios Blvd. | City or Station: Universal City

Bureau/Station/Facility: FOR II / West Hollywood / Universal Sub-Station | Admin. Investigation: YES ☐ NO ☒

Type of Force: Takedown

Deputy Injury: YES ☐ NO ☒

IAB Notified: YES ☒ NO ☐ Person Notified: Lt. Rick Jennings Emp #: [redacted]

Suspect Injury: YES ☒ NO ☐ Broken nose and collarbone | IAB Roll Out: YES ☐ NO ☒

**Involved Employee**

**E1**

Employee # [redacted] | Last Name [redacted] | First Name [redacted] | Middle Name

Sex: ☒ Male ☐ Female | Race: H | Unit of Assignment: [redacted] | Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): [redacted]

Shift: ☐ EM ☐ Day [redacted] PM [redacted] Regular Shift ☐ OT Shift ☐ Off Duty | Age: [redacted] | Height: 5'09 | Weight: 200

Medical Exam / Treatment: ☐ Photos of Employee: ☐ N/A ☒ | Coroner Case # | Directed Force ☐

If Admitted, Name of Hospital: | Significant Force ☒

Statement: Deputy [redacted] was helping escort S/[redacted] and Orefice away from the Hard Rock Cafe through Cinema Plaza. S/[redacted] and Orefice were separated by about 30 feet, with S/Orifice in front of S/[redacted]. Both S/[redacted] and Orefice appeared to be drunk and were shouting profanity. As S/Orifice was walking with Deputy [redacted] trailing behind, he turned and saw that S/[redacted] had been arrested by other deputies for being Drunk In Public and Battery On A Peace Officer (647(f) and 243(b) PC). S/Orifice became enraged and charged back towards S/[redacted] running into Deputy [redacted] and swinging his right arm at the deputy, hitting him in the chest and knocking his radio microphone from his uniform. Deputy [redacted] grabbed S/Orifice's right arm, immediately took him to the ground and with the help of Deputy Gevorgiz, handcuffed him without further incident. After S/Orifice was escorted to the Substation without further incident or use of force.

**Statement continue:** ☐

**E2**

Employee # [redacted] | Last Name Gevorgiz | First Name Vania | Middle Name

Sex: ☒ Male ☐ Female | Race: C | Unit of Assignment: WHD/Universal | Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 95F

Shift: ☐ EM ☐ Day ☒ PM ☐ Regular Shift ☒ OT Shift ☐ Off Duty | Age: [redacted] | Height: 507 | Weight: 185

Medical Exam / Treatment: ☐ Photos of Employee: ☐ N/A ☐ | Coroner Case # | Directed Force ☐

If Admitted, Name of Hospital: | Significant Force ☒

Statement: Deputy Gevorgiz said that he responded to the Hard Rock Cafe because of a call of two males (S/Orefice and [redacted] who were harassing customers and refusing to leave. After he and other deputies arrived, S/Orefice and [redacted] continued to be disruptive and appeared to be drunk, causing [redacted] to be arrested. As Deputy Gevorgiz was assisting with the arrest of [redacted] he heard a commotion behind him. When he turned, he saw that Deputy [redacted] was taking S/Orefice to the ground, so he ran to assist. Deputy Gevorgiz helped Deputy [redacted] get S/Orefice down on the ground, and held his hands behind his back as Deputy [redacted] handcuffed him. Deputy Gevorgiz then helped escort S/Orefice to the Substation without further incident.

**Statement continue:** ☐

**On Duty Supervisor**

| Emp. # | Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | Rank | Present | Witness to Incident |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [redacted] | Koch | Joseph | M. | Sgt | YES ☒ NO ☐ | YES ☒ NO ☐ |
| | | | | | YES ☐ NO ☐ | YES ☐ NO ☐ |

**Watch Sergeant**

| Emp. # | Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
|---|---|---|---|
| [redacted] | Koch | Joseph | M. |

**Watch Commander**

| Emp. # | Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
|---|---|---|---|
| [redacted] | [redacted] | [redacted] | |

[redacted] | [redacted] | [redacted] | 12-21-06

Watch Commander (Print Name) | Watch Commander's Signature: | Emp #: | Date

Joseph Koch, Sergeant | [redacted] | Joseph Koch, Sergeant | [redacted]

Supervisor Completing Form: (Print Name) | Emp #: | Copy Provided to Employee by: | Emp #:

Buddy Goldman, Captain | [signature] | [redacted] | 12-27-06

Unit Commander (Print Name) | Unit Commander's Signature: | Emp #: | Date

**DISCOVERY Use Only**

FO# 218 3006

SH-R-438P( Rev. 11/04)

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Original: Discovery Unit
Copy: Unit Commander

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# SUSPECT INFORMATION

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**Suspect Information**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Last Name: Orefice | | First Name: Ryan | | | Middle Name | | |
| AKA Last Name | | First Name | | | Middle Name | | |
| Sex: ☒ Male ☐ Female | Race: W | Street Address: [redacted] | | City: [redacted] | | State & Zip Code: [redacted] | |
| Work Phone: | Home Phone: [redacted] | Age: 30 | Height: 6'0 | D.O.B. 5-20-76 | Weight: 175 | Armed? ☐ | |

Booking #: 9105861 Primary Charge Code: 243 (b) PC Secondary Charge Code: 647(F) P.C. Criminal History [redacted]

EMT in attendance? ☒ YES ☐ NO Name: Wellingotn Unit: 31 Phone #:

EMT's Statement: S/Orefice refused medical treatment from the EMT.

Hospital Admission? ☐ Rec'd Treatment At: St. Joseph's Hospital Coroner Case #: Mental History ☐

By Doctor: Dr. R. Lai Address: 501 S. Buena Vista St. Burbank CA Phone #: 818-847-4010

Doctor's Statement: S/Orefice had a fracture to his nose and to his clavicle, and are consistent with being forcefully taken to the ground. The injuries are consistent with the force used and reported, and S/Orefice was cleared for booking.

Under Influence: ☒ YES ☐ NO Substance: alcohol Photos of Suspect's Injuries ☐ YES ☒ NO

**Suspect Interview**

Date: Time: Audiotape: ☐ Videotape: ☒

Statement: S/Orefice admitted that he drank "too much" alcohol, which he estimated to be about 10 drinks. He said that when the deputies contacted him initially, they were nice, but they did tell him to leave. He admitted that he made several comments while walking away from Hard Rock about the number of deputies that were present. He denied intentionally running into or hitting Deputy [redacted] but said that if he did, he was sorry. He said that once he was taken to the ground, he was then handcuffed, and no other force was used against him during the incident. He acknowledged refusing first aid from the EMT at Universal prior to the interview, and denied having any physical injuries. S/Orefice has one conviction for drunk driving.

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| Last Name | | First Name | | | Middle Name | | |
| AKA Last Name | | First Name | | | Middle Name | | |
| Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female | Race: | Street Address: | | City: | | State & Zip Code: | |
| Work Phone: | Home Phone: | Age: | Height: | D.O.B. | Weight: | Armed? ☐ | |

Booking #: Primary Charge Code: Secondary Charge Code: Criminal History ☐

EMT in attendance? ☐ YES ☐ NO Name: Unit: Phone #:

EMT's Statement:

Hospital Admission? ☐ Rec'd Treatment At: Coroner Case #: Mental History ☐

By Doctor: Address: Phone #:

Doctor's Statement:

Under Influence: ☐ YES ☐ NO Substance: Photos of Suspect's Injuries ☐ YES ☐ NO

**Suspect Interview**

Date: Time: Audiotape: ☐ Videotape: ☐

Statement:

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# EMPLOYEE / NON-EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

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**Employee Witnesses**

| Emp. # | Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
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Statement:

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| Emp. # | Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
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Statement:

**Statement continue:** ☐

**Non-Employee Witnesses**

| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | Age | D.O.B. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [redacted] | [redacted] | | 33 | [redacted] |

| Street Address | City | Zip Code | Work Ph. | Home Ph. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1000 Universal Studios Blvd, #5538 | Universal City | 90608 | 818-622-7625 | |

Statement: [redacted] of the Hard Rock Cafe, said that he was told by some of his employees that [redacted] and S/Orefice were causing problems in the restaurant by swearing and bothering other patrons. Then a man, who was with his family, also came up and complained to employees about [redacted] and S/Orefice, who he said were threatening and harassing his family. [redacted] approached both [redacted] and S/Orefice and told them to leave, but [redacted] refused. As [redacted] stood by and waited for a while to see if they would comply and leave without further problems, one of his employees came and told [redacted] that they overheard [redacted] and S/Orefice say that they were going to "jump" the man who complained about their behavior and his family in the parking lot. At that point, [redacted] called Universal Studios Security to help get the males to leave peacefully. [redacted] said that [redacted] and S/Orefice left reluctantly after security officers contacted them. Once they were outside the front door, [redacted] and S/Orefice again would not leave the walkway leading up to the Hard Rock. A few minutes later, [redacted] saw that deputies had arrived, and that [redacted] and S/Orefice were now slowly

**Statement continue:** ☑

| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | Age | D.O.B. |
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| [redacted] | [redacted] | | 19 | [redacted] |

| Street Address | City | Zip Code | Work Ph. | Home Ph. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1000 Universal Studios Blvd | Universal City | 91608 | 818-622-9539 | |

Statement: Securitas Officer [redacted] said that he was in the Cinema Plaza of CityWalk, helping to escort two patrons who had been causing problems at the hard Rock Cafe away from the area. [redacted] was walking with Deputy [redacted] who was escorting S/Orefice away from the area. As they were walking, S/Orefice was complaining about being told to leave the Hard Rock Cafe, . Suddenly, he turned around and started back towards his friend, [redacted] who had apparently been arrested by deputies and was about 25 feet behind him. He ran into Deputy [redacted] hitting him in the chest, so Deputy [redacted] grabbed him and took him to the ground. [redacted] said that he helped to force S/Orefice down to the ground and hold him there until he was handcuffed. Once Deputy [redacted] took S/Orefice to the ground, [redacted] said that he did not see any other force used.

**Statement continue:** ☐

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**Check One**

- [ ] Employee Witness
- [x] Non - Employee Witness
- [ ] Involved Employee
- [ ] Suspect
- [ ] Supervisor's Review
- [ ] Watch Commander Conclusion

| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
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| [redacted] | [redacted] | |

walking towards the movie theater. [redacted] stepped out to see what was going to happen, and could see that [redacted] and S/Orefice were taunting and "flipping off" the security officers and deputies. He then went back inside the Hard Rock.

During my interview with him, [redacted] confirmed that both [redacted] and S/Orefice had consumed a considerable amount of alcohol while at Hard Rock, and he thought that both of them were drunk. He also said that he considered the threat by [redacted] and S/Orefice to attack the family who complained to be credible, and although drunk, they could have carried it out if allowed to follow them to the parking lot. ABC was notified of incident via FAX.

**Check One**

- [ ] Employee Witness
- [ ] Non - Employee Witness
- [ ] Involved Employee
- [ ] Suspect
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## Supervisor's Review

### Brief Synopsis:

Synopsis: S/Orefice and [redacted] were in the Hard Rock Cafe, causing a disturbance with patrons. When the [redacted] ordered them to leave, they refused, and began making threats against the patrons for complaining. They finally exited the Hard Rock, but remained in front of the entrance and refused to leave, which prompted the request for deputies to respond. Deputies then began escorting both S/Orefice and [redacted] away from the Hard Rock, with S/Orefice, followed by Deputy [redacted] walking ahead of [redacted] As S/Orefice walked, he turned and saw that deputies had arresting [redacted] for being drunk in public. He then began moving back towards [redacted] pushing Deputy [redacted] out of his way with his forearm and knocking his microphone from his uniform. Deputy [redacted] grabbed S/Orefice to keep him from running and interfering with the arrest of [redacted] and took him down to the ground. Deputy [redacted] immediately handcuffed S/Orefice with the help of Deputy Gevorgiz, and S/Orefice was then escorted to the Substation without further incident. He was later taken to St. Joseph's medical Center in Burbank for complaints of pain to his nose and shoulder. After his medical exam, it was determined that he had sustained a minor fracture to his nose and collarbone.

Universal CityWalk security cameras were activated and filming part of the incident, and I reviewed the video as part of my investigation. The video clearly shows that [redacted] (red shirt) was already in handcuffs, standing up and quietly talking to me and Deputy Chavez when S/Orefice turned and tried to move past Deputy [redacted] resulting in the takedown. There was nothing to provoke or cause S/Orfice to have to come back and contact [redacted] as he had already been arrested and handcuffed without incident.

During my initial interview with S/Orefice, he denied that he and [redacted] were asked to leave the Hard Rock by management. He said that the deputies contacted him outside the Hard Rock, they were very nice and told him to leave. S/Orefice admitted that he was agitated and taunting the deputies with comments about how many were present. He then walked away into Cinema Plaza, when the officers jumped on him and took him to the ground. When asked if he grabbed or pushed any of the deputies, S/Orefice appeared to be surprised, and did not know if he did or not. ~~After he was taken~~

### Watch Commander Conclusion / Findings / Training Recommendation

I conclude that the force used was reasonable and justified. Because S/Orefice appears to be in close physical contact with Deputy [redacted] the use of a takedown was justified. It is clear that both [redacted] and S/Orefice had consumed large amounts of alcohol at Hard Rock, and their conduct there was threatening and hostile. [redacted] and S/Orefice exited just outside the Hard Rock entrance only after Universal Security was called, and they cause security so much trouble that they needed to call for deputies to respond. It was not until after [redacted] was arrested and handcuffed that S/Orefice turned and contacted Deputy [redacted] which resulted in the takedown.

**Attachments:** SHAD 49, PM Shift In-Service, Deputy Gevorgiz' Memo, Photo of suspect, DVD of Lt. Honings' Interview, OK to Book Paperwork, Criminal History, IAB notification

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**Check One** ☐ Employee Witness ☐ Involved Employee ☒ Supervisor's Review
☐ Non - Employee Witness ☐ Suspect ☐ Watch Commander Conclusion

| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name |
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S/Orefice is later interviewed by Lt. Honings at the West Hollywood Station jail. S/Orefice was standing during the interview, his arms were free and he motioned up and down with both arms in no apparent pain. He said that his [redacted], was having an altercation with the police, so he went out to see what was happening. As soon as he went out, he was jumped on by the police and his face hit the ground. He said that he had some drinks, but was not sure if he was drunk. He denied hitting or attacking the deputies, but when asked if he was flailing his arms, he replied that it was a "trick" question. He then admitted, while raising his arms and physically illustrating, that he did have his hands, ",,,going around" to try and stop the incident and everyone, "from going nuts." He then admits that he did rush past the deputies, and it was at this point that he was taken to the ground. S/Orefice also claims that he said his nose was hurt, but was told it was not important. He later went to the hospital, and was told he had broken nose and clavicle. In closing, he admits that he did hear deputies tell him to stop his actions.

**Check One** ☐ Employee Witness ☐ Involved Employee ☐ Supervisor's Review
☐ Non - Employee Witness ☐ Suspect ☐ Watch Commander Conclusion

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### Method

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(BC) Baton: (Control)
(BI) Baton: (Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds: (Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds: (Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds: (Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(CN) Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device: Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device: Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(SG) 37mm Stinger
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative

### Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

### Body Part Injured

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hands
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(NO) Nose
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

## FORCE APPLIED

| FORCE USED BY | | FORCE USED AGAINST | | Method (Code) | Type of Injury (Code) | Body Part (Code) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Name | E# or S# | Name | E# or S# | | | |
| Orefice | S#1 | Deputy [redacted] | E#1 | PP | NN | |
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